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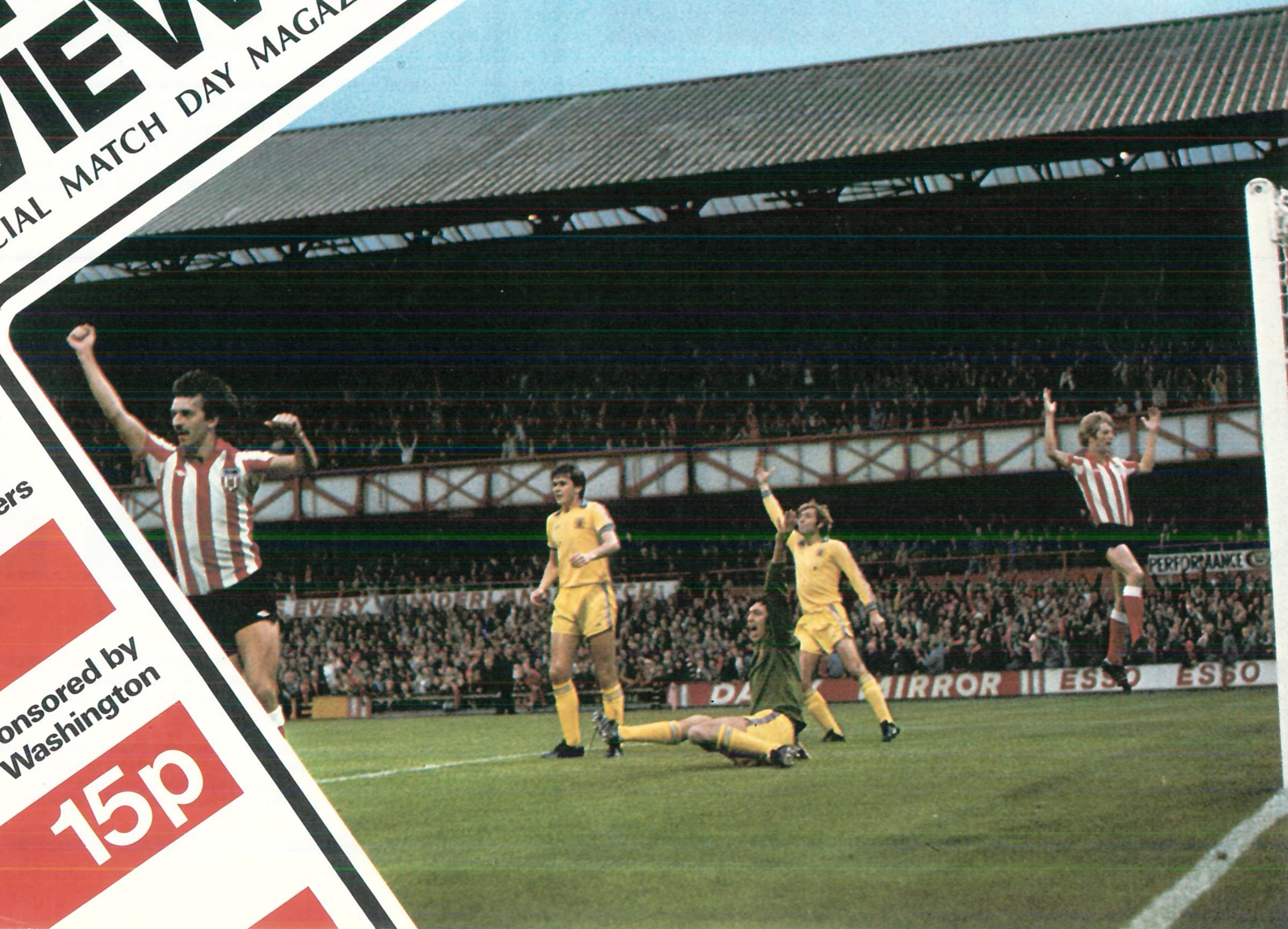
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Dave and Jackie talk about Sunderland...



J.M. Dave, yourself and Dave Blakey I've known you for years and years. Absolutely renowned for your honesty, in pre-season you were all bubbling with enthusiasm, now after only a moderate start what are your immediate thoughts.

D.M. Just the same, when you say we were bubbling with enthusiasm, I think you've got to look at the overall picture of the Club and the lines we have set. Are we happy with them? There's been a big change at Sunderland Football Club in as much as that players have left the Club and we've brought younger players into the side. We feel those younger players have done their job. We're also looking at the boys we have taken onto the staff in as much as schoolboys, there's only one who is outside of the North-East area so they're all local talent and they all look very good, very promising youngsters, so I'm still bubbling over with enthusiasm even though it's been a slow start.

J.M. That's terrific Dave. You've got a lot of good kids coming through I believe

D.M. Yes, the kids that we have signed on I feel, as a Coach, have tremendous potential, and some-

times when you use that word potential you know potential has to come through. It has to be worked upon and developed, but these boys have been born with an abundance of skill and it's up to us to frame it into that side for Sunderland.

J.M. I hope that you're a bit ambitious like me in as much that you'd like to see a team of Geordies play for Sunderland one day

D.M. Yes, I'm just like you that way, Jack!

J.M. For the last two or three years Sunderland have been headline grabbers, there's no doubt about that. There's been repeated transfer requests, a bit of an unsettled camp and you seldom hear about these things in a big Club like Liverpool or Manchester United and we are a big Club. At the moment what's the dressing room feeling like, have you got a set of players who look like being settled to see the job through.

D.M. Well, I can only re-emphasise the fact that there's been a complete change in the playing staff here, we felt it was necessary to do for the benefit of Sunderland Football Club. Sometimes in making changes like that they are unpopular but that doesn't worry me either, I'm here to do a job and I'll do the job as I think it should be done as a professional and if I see it to the benefit of Sunderland Football Club then I'll encourage the Manager to make changes. As far as the atmosphere in the Club is concerned, and the spirit in the Club is concerned, it's absolutely first class.

J.M. In other words the attitude and behaviour of the lads shows that they are willing to learn. In your opinion are these lads worthy of not only representing Sunderland but Wearside in general, in all aspects because there's more to it than just playing football.

D.M. There's two ways you can look at your players — behaviour during the week and on a Saturday and there's the way in which your players behave off the field as well. We have tried to build a squad of players here who want to come into training, who are getting paid good money but not just because they're getting paid good money. Their attitude and their spirit's right during the week and it's also right in wanting to represent Sunderland away from the Club as well, so we have a good bunch of boys here.

J.M. You're not worried

D.M. Not at all

J.M. You're not worried about the fact that sometimes Managers have to send players home from time to time.

D.M. Not at all

To be continued.....

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TODAY'S OPPONENTS...



Back Row: Left to Right: Garry Jones, Steve Taylor, Roy Greaves, John Ritson, Mike Walsh, Brian Smith. Middle Row: Left to Right: Alan Waldron, Terry Poole, Neil Whatmore, Sam Allardyce, Jim McDonagh, Peter Nicholson. Front Row: Left to Right: Tony Dunne, Ray Train, Andy Clements, Paul Jones, Peter Reid, Willie Morgan, Peter Thompson.



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BOLTON WANDERERS

Ian Greaves, the Bolton manager who is grateful for the experience TONY DUNNE, PETER THOMPSON and WILLIE MORGAN have given his squad, says firmly: "I'm not interested in players' ages. I'm interested in whether they can play well."

Like Star Defender Dunne, Thompson and Morgan can certainly still play well.

It is virtually certain that Thompson will not play today. An injury has kept him out of the side recently, but Greaves assures me he will be back.

Peter had started the season magnificently. George Mulhall, Greaves' assistant and, of course, a former outside-left himself with Sunderland and Scotland, talks of how Peter tied defenders into all sorts of reef-knots, sheet-bends and clove-hitches.

And Peter, from Carlisle, has always been remarkable with the ball. After one particularly devastating visit to Roker Park with Liverpool, Bill Shankly said of Peter: "It's about time he practised his dribbling." Shanks was talking tongue-in-cheek of an international winger who weaved magical spells all afternoon.

Morgan is also an international winger and Jimmy Adamson knows a lot about him. The Scot started his career with Burnley and he, too, had shown exceptional dribbling ability before he was sold to Manchester United. There has been more responsibility on his shoulders through the absence of injured Thompson. Morgan joined Bolton after a second Burnley spell.

BLOW

Bolton's main injury blow was that to PAUL JONES, their tall, elegant centre-half. Considered one of the best central defenders in the country, he has been in England's under-23 and senior squads, but the crucial start to the season has had to be faced by Bolton without him. He has had a cartilage operation.

Paul's deputy, MIKE WALSH, has earned good notices while standing in, and the Manchester-born defender has had sound support from big SAM ALLARDYCE.

While Sunderland were on their way to winning the Second Division championship two seasons ago, one of the finest goals they conceded was scored by big Sam: A storming header from a corner in a Bolton win at Burnden Park.

Nobody at Sunderland knows today's visitors better than Barry

Siddall, of course. His successor in the Bolton goal had already been signed before Barry's transfer to Roker Park last season. He is JIM McDONAGH who cost only £10,000 to Rotherham United.

McDonagh took over in the Bolton goal immediately Barry left and kept the place until the end of the season. As with Barry, his agility and his six-foot height make him difficult to beat.

RAY TRAIN made the Siddall move in reverse...from Sunderland to Bolton last season. He just failed to complete a hat-trick of promotions from the Second to the First Division. He made that jump with Carlisle United and Sunderland.

As Sunderland supporters know, Ray, who cost Bolton £30,000 just before the transfer deadline, is an industrious midfielder with an aggressive tackle. He's little but tenacious.

STAR DEFENDER

TONY DUNNE could hardly be over-awed by any Second Division situation. He has experienced first-hand so much before. Apart from being a Republic of Ireland international, he had the unforgettable joy of playing in Manchester United's European cup-winning side.

He is into his thirties now, of course, but Ian Greaves, Bolton's manager, is the first to stress that he still does a great job despite having to survive a couple of injuries in the last two years.

Greaves told me: "The main thing is Tony still has his pace. No-one loses him."

FAST

This pace, a precious asset for a full-back, also means that he is dangerous when moving into attacks.

Despite all his world-travelling in football and all the honours he won with Manchester United, Tony has never lost his enthusiasm for football. And like everyone at Burnden Park, he yearns to return to the First Division. He would be certain of a warm welcome at Old Trafford.

Bolton's near-misses in the promotion races of the last two seasons have been particularly agonising for Tony Dunne.





JUNIOR QUIZ

"Specially for supporters under 15 years of age"

Winners of 'Sporting Club of Washington' holdalls for 'all-the correct' answers in the Quiz competitions for the first three games have been notified by letter. The presentation to the winners will take place after today's game.

Here are today's questions:-

1. In what position did Bolton finish in the League last season?
2. Bolton played two replays in the F.A. Cup fifth round last season — against which team?
3. When did Bolton last win the F.A. Cup?
4. Name their two managers prior to Ian Greaves.
5. A famous centre forward scored 255 goals for the Trotters - who was he?

Send your entry on a postcard to 'Roker Junior Quiz, S.A.F.C., Roker Park, Sunderland, SR6 9SW. If there are more than 10 correct cards the neatest postcards will be selected. Prizes are special!

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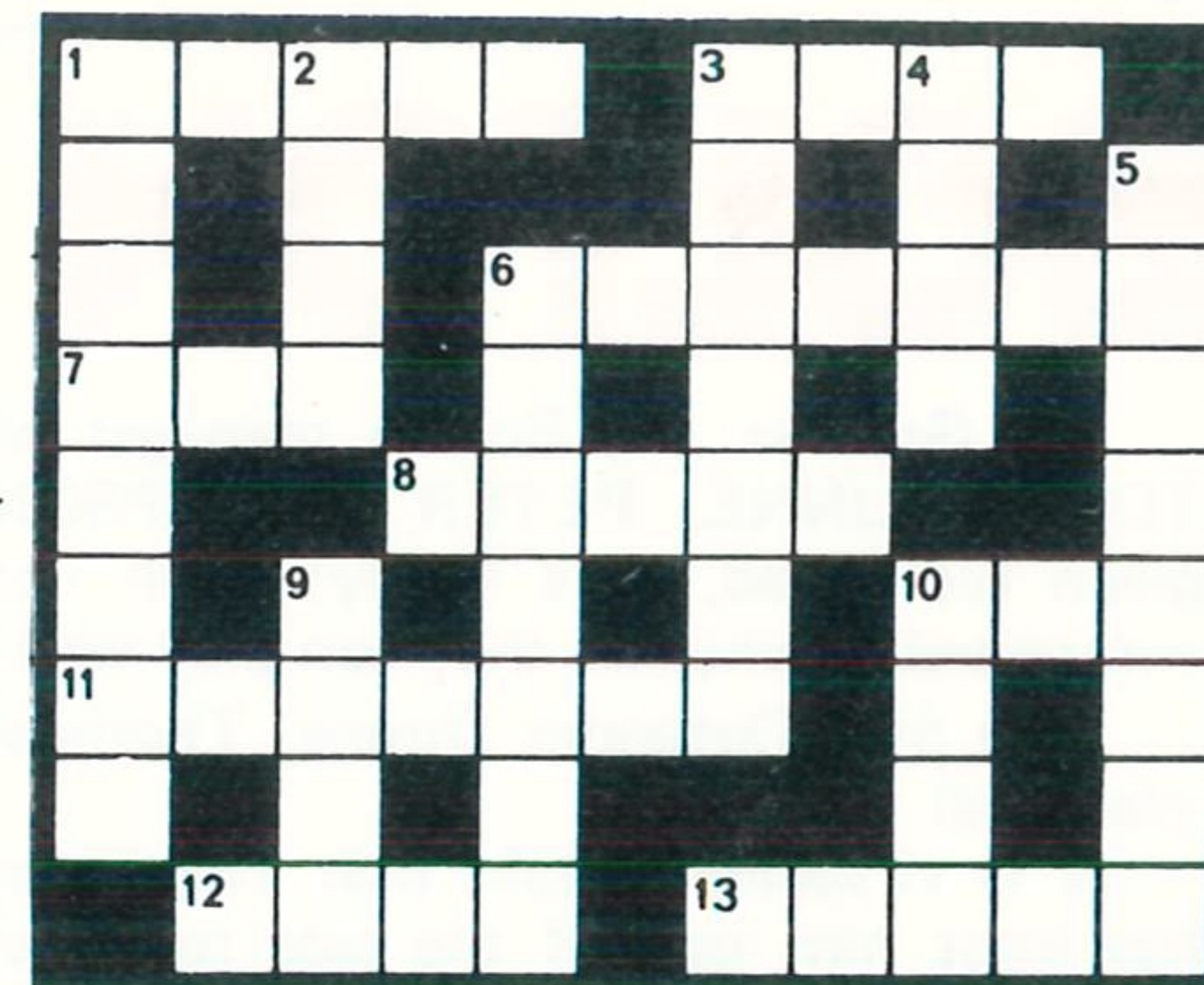
CLUES - ACROSS

1. Swansea's Field (5)
3. Kings ... was one of the none-League clubs for whom 6 across eventually turned out (4)
6. Famous old Middlesbrough and England inside-forward (7)
- 7 & 12 ac. Famous Belgrade club (3,4)
8. Recent Preston buy from Brighton (5)
10. It's often seen after the previous answer and always over the next one (3)
11. Senior servicemen for Sexton (7)
12. See 7 across.
13. In 1975 they sold 5 down to Royal Antwerp as a 'save-the-club' measure (5)

CLUES - DOWN

1. First player from a Division Four club to win an international cap (for Wales in 1959) (3,5)
2. One of Murphy's men (4)
3. ... Smith (Colchester United) (7)
4. Whatmore or Wilkinson (4)
5. See 13 across.
6. Ipswich sailor (7)
9. Former Blackpool, Everton and England keeper (4)
10. Referee who handled the 1977 Women's F.A. Cup final (4)

Solutions: Across: 1. Vetch, 3. Lynn, 6. Mannion, 7 & 12 ac. Red Star, 8. Cross, 10. bar, 11. Stepney (Man. Utd.), 12. See 7 ac., 13. Luton. Down: 1. Vic Rouse (Crystal Pal.), 2. Todd (Derby), 3. Lindsay, 5. Neil, 5. Anderson, 6. Mariner, 9. West, 10. Bent.



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SOCCER SCENE



By DOUG WEATHERALL
(Daily Mail)

BATTLE OF THE IN-FORM

The most attractive Roker Park League game so far this season arrives with both hosts and visitors in form for the occasion. I write before Sunderland's League Cup replay with Middlesbrough at Ayresome Park, but their three previous results have certainly been pretty sound.

The excellent League Cup 2-2 draw with Boro at Roker Park was followed by away draws at Sheffield United and Crystal Palace. Not dramatic, spectacular stuff but after the disappointing performance against Orient, it was encouraging.

A lot of us saw the Match of the Day T.V. coverage of the 2-2 draw at Palace last week and, frankly, I thought Sunderland were slightly lucky to get the point. But I'm told that Sunderland's best work, in the second half, was edited out.

PROBLEM

Television people, of course, have a two-pints-in-a-pint-bottle problem and since there were nine goals in the two matches covered, obviously something had to go. The Sunderland goals made happy viewing for Wearside eyes. I thought Gary Rowell and Wilf Rostron took them magnificently. Quite a co-incidence, wasn't it, that Wilf and his former Castletown neighbour, Norman Bell, of Wolves, should be seen scoring goals in the same programme?

We have yet to see Bolton on Match of the Day this season but their results speak forcibly for themselves. They lead the Second Division, have dropped only one point and have yet to concede an away goal. And they have certainly made their goals count: they have three more points than their six goals.

For geographical and friendship reasons I know that quite a few people at Roker Park were disappointed when Bolton just failed to accompany Sunderland into the First Division two years ago. Sunderland, with something of a record for being pipped for promotion, knew how

they felt. And Bolton were to go through similar anguish at the end of last season.

They must be congratulated, though, for not letting this get them down and having such a splendid start this time. Their manager, Ian Greaves, is a pleasant, realistic man.

His record in success and adversity at Huddersfield Town "rounded" him as a manager. He took that famous club from the Third to the First Division and the decline which was to lead to his resignation was precipitated by a point of principle to which he and his board adhered when faced with unreasonable demands from players.

TARGET

His Leeds Road record and the good football he has encouraged his Bolton team to play have made him a popular target among clubs looking for a manager. Among the opportunities he has declined was the management of Newcastle United after the departure of Gordon Lee.

Ian, a former Manchester United full-back, always insists on his assistant manager and coach, George Mulhall, being given deserved credit for his contribution for Bolton progress.

For George, of course, today's game means a proud return to Roker Park. He was arguably Sunderland's most effective post-war outside-left as he helped them win promotion for the first time. He was also in that thrilling F.A. Cup run in 1964 which ended after a memorable three-match quarter-final with Manchester United.

George played in South Africa after he left Sunderland and managed Halifax Town before teaming up with Ian Greaves at Burnden Park. A great companion, George has a sense of humour second to none in football. At times his turn of phrase is almost Shankly-like...as the present Bolton team and Sunderland goalkeeper Barry Siddall know well.

Barry, who has his 23rd birthday this week, has looked forward to today for some time. His present colleagues and Sunderland supporters were certainly grateful to him when he saved Richard Harouk's penalty for Palace last week. Palace would have led 3-1 if Harouk had scored.

That is the sort of break ambitious teams look for. Now Sunderland have to cash in on it.

For it is not an exaggeration to say even at this stage of the season that virtually four points are at stake today. Sunderland would be two points behind Bolton were they to beat them.





Roker Rhythm

Today's winning entry comes from Mick McClafferty, 17 Park Road, Consett. He writes:-

Tribute to our "Super Fans"

There's nothing in the world to match
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The Fulwell End, the Roker End, the
Clockstand Fans, and more,
Unite to cheer the lads in red
And will them on to score

From Lands End up to John 'O' Groats,
Both near and far from home,
Sunderlands "Super Fans" are envied
Wherever they may roam,
For how can Jimmy 'A's' lads fail,
To respond to the Geordie tones

Remember nineteen-seventy-three, Wembley
Stadium, fifth of May,
It seemed the whole of Wearside
Had travelled down that day,
Leeds knew they had the Sunderland
team AND the "Super Fans" to play.

Yet we still "follow, follow"
When of hope there is no ray,
We cheer them on through thick
and thin, perhaps disgusted at Sunderlands play,
For every Sunderland "Super Fan" knows
We shall overcome some day.

Two tickets for today's game have been sent to Mick - hope you enjoy the game - and the result! Send your entry to 'Roker Rhythm', Sunderland A.F.C., Roker Park, Sunderland SR6 9SW.

A MESSAGE FROM A LADY TO JIMMY HILL

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Mrs. Pat Ayton,
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Bobby Kerr

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Gary Rowell

Recently selected for England Under 21 squad.



Joe Bolton

Supporters player of the season 1976-77.



Wilf Rostron

Newest signing to-date - hit equaliser at Crystal Palace.



Jeff Clarke

Best wishes for a quick return.



Kevin Arnott

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Bob Lee

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Doug Collins

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Colin Waldron

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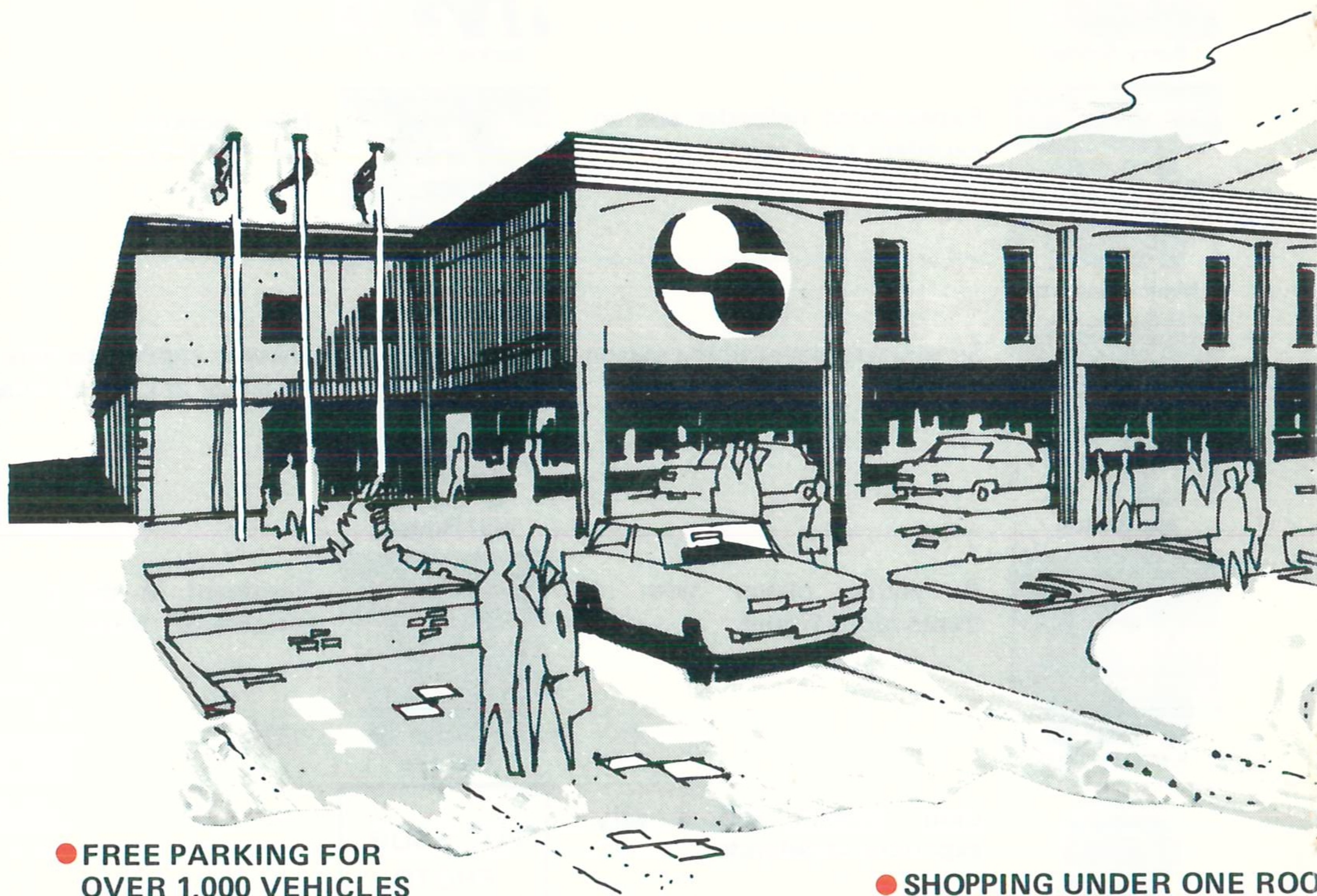
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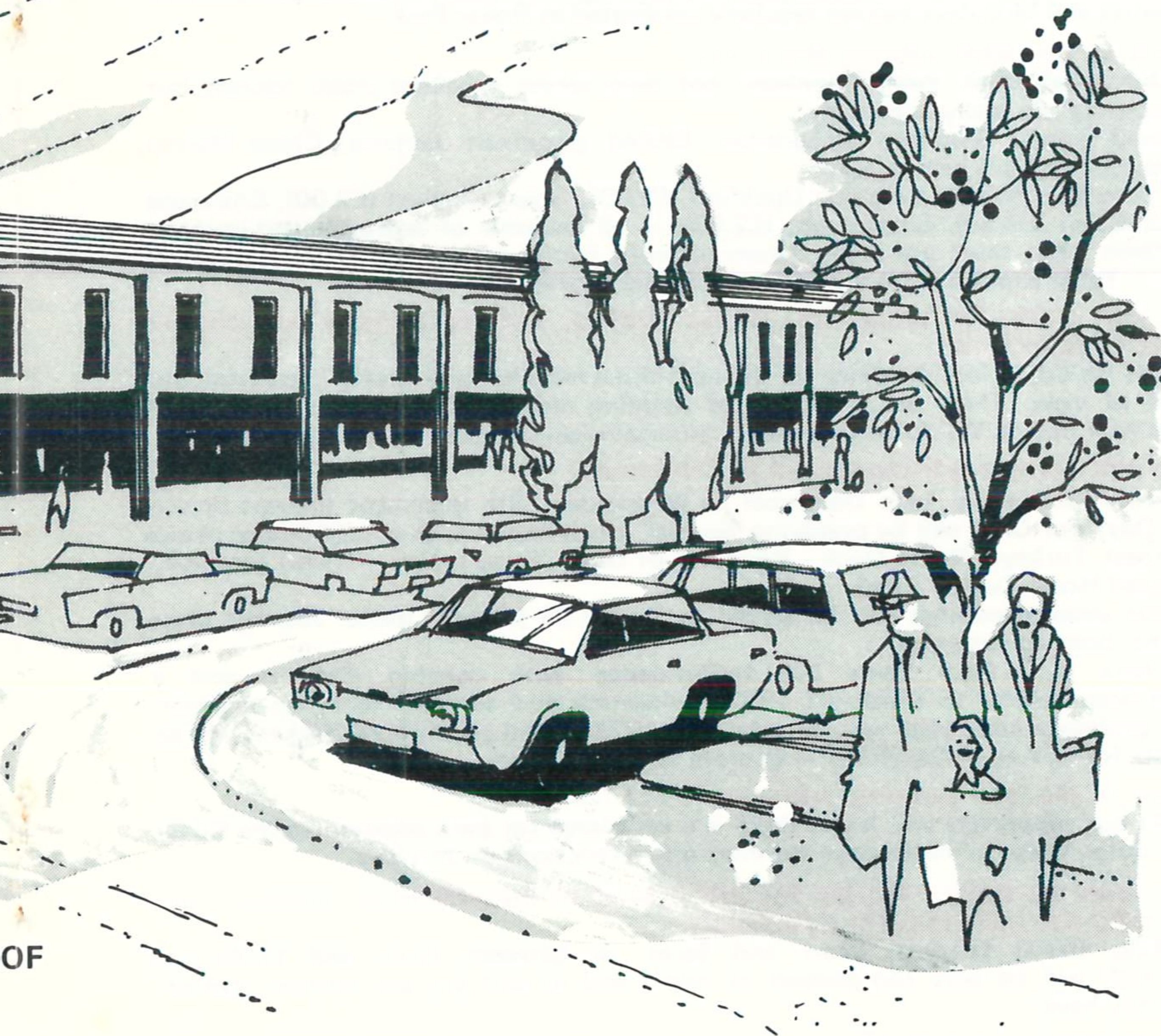
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OPEN TUESDAY NOVEMBER 15th



COMMERCIAL COMMENT

JACK BUTTERFIELD - GENERAL MANAGER



ROKER PARK SUITE LICENSED RESTAURANT

Membership is NOT required for the restaurant.

Supporters constantly ask these questions - here are the answers -

When is the restaurant open?

Every day, except Sunday. Lunch is served from 12 noon until 2.30 p.m., and evening dinner from 7.00 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. Food orders are accepted up to 10.45 p.m. but drinks are served up to 11.30 p.m.

What are the menus and prices for lunch?

The menus are changed every day but the following is a sample:-
Quick lunch: Grilled Pork Sausage, onion, chips, tomato and peas, roll and butter £1.00. Fried chicken with chips and peas, roll & butter £1.00.

Help-yourself buffet - £1.00.

Full menus: Soup or Grapefruit or fruit juice, Roast beef and Yorkshire pudding, or fried plaice or Grilled gammon or Braised chicken.

Two vegetables, plus roast and boiled potatoes.

Apple pie and cream, or fruit and fresh cream coffee.

The cost, inclusive of V.A.T., is £2.10. Service charge not included - and what is more - the food is good!

Are these menus and quick lunches available on Saturday match-days?

Yes - service as a normal day. The only difference is that you have to purchase a food voucher (£1) on entry, but this can be used towards the meal anyway. We have to do this to ensure that our licence is not abused. By that we mean that persons cannot be served with drink in the restaurant unless they partake of a substantial meal.

Good reports are being given about the food being served in the evenings - is it really so good?

In a short time we have built up an evening trade with many persons coming back at least once every week - surely that is a recommendation of it's own. The Sportsmen's Lounge really is a dining room full of atmosphere, and representatives of local companies are visiting regularly with business guests. Anniversaries and birthdays too are regularly celebrated at Roker Park.

What are the main courses and costs?

Our Head Chef, Peter Bennison, not only serves excellent main courses but his 'starters' are really appetising.

Smoked Trout, Spaghetti Neopolitan. Grilled grapefruit Jamaica, Crepe Maison, Prawn Cocktail are just samples!

Main course specialities include Duckling (£2.00), Roast Chicken (£2.00), Entrecote Steak Garni (£2.50), Scampi frit (£2.50), - all inclusive of vegetable and potatoes selection - but there are many others to select from - some more expensive - some less! Table wines too are available at reasonable prices.

Do you cater for weddings, works parties, society dinners and similar types of functions?

Yes we do, in fact the diary for the next three months reads pretty good from our point of view. There are a number of wedding receptions on our list - most of them with buffet. We do arrange music, entertainment or disco as required.

Are you doing anything special at Christmas?

From Wednesday 14th December to Wednesday 28th December (except Christmas Day) our Chef will be preparing 'Special' lunch menus with a main course choice of Roast Turkey - Roast Duck - Roast rib of beef - Fried plaice - Grilled gammon, and cold Roast Turkey Salad.

All the usual trimmings will be served in the £3.20 festivity menu. Just the place for the 'boss' to entertain.

There is a New Years Eve buffet-dance with dancing, Cabaret and a magnificent buffet to finish off 1977 - relegation and all that! Sorry to mention it - probably next year we can celebrate 1978 - and promotion! Tickets will be on sale for N.Y.E. in November - so more about that later.

What is the car parking situation?

As our supporters will know there is a very large car park adjacent to the Roker Park Suite. Only on match days are there any restrictions on this area.

How can we book? Firstly for just a meal at lunchtime or evening, and secondly the ballroom for a function

Ring 40303 between 9a.m. and 5p.m. or between 7p.m. and 11.30 p.m. Our staff will be only too pleased to help - and to sort out any further queries you may have.

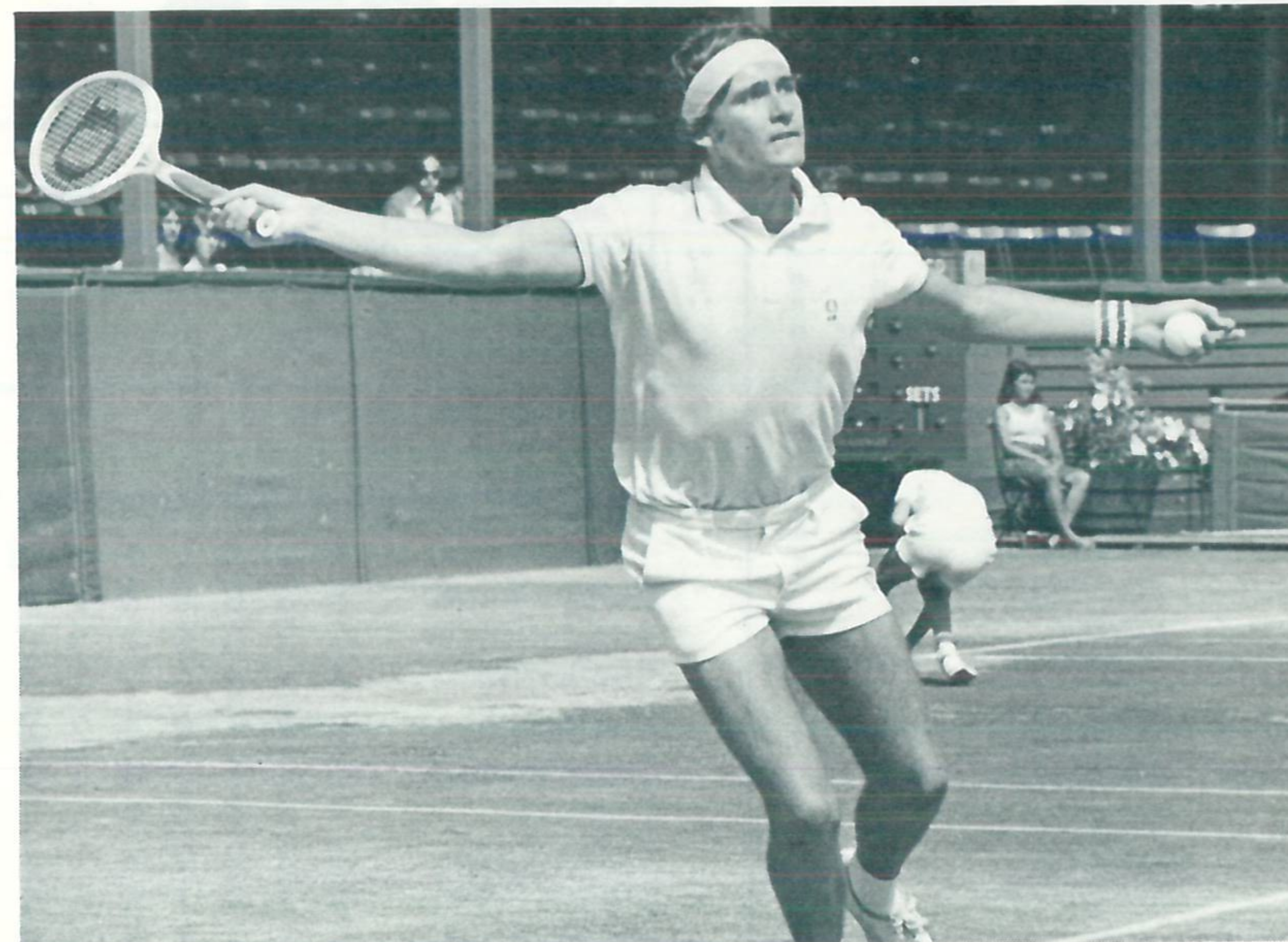
It is important to note that.....

...Only persons partaking of a substantial meal are allowed to consume alcoholic refreshment in the restaurant. This is a condition of law. Persons wishing to enjoy a drink without having to purchase a meal can do so by taking out membership of the new-style Roker Park Club - for details please ring Judy Sunley on 72077.

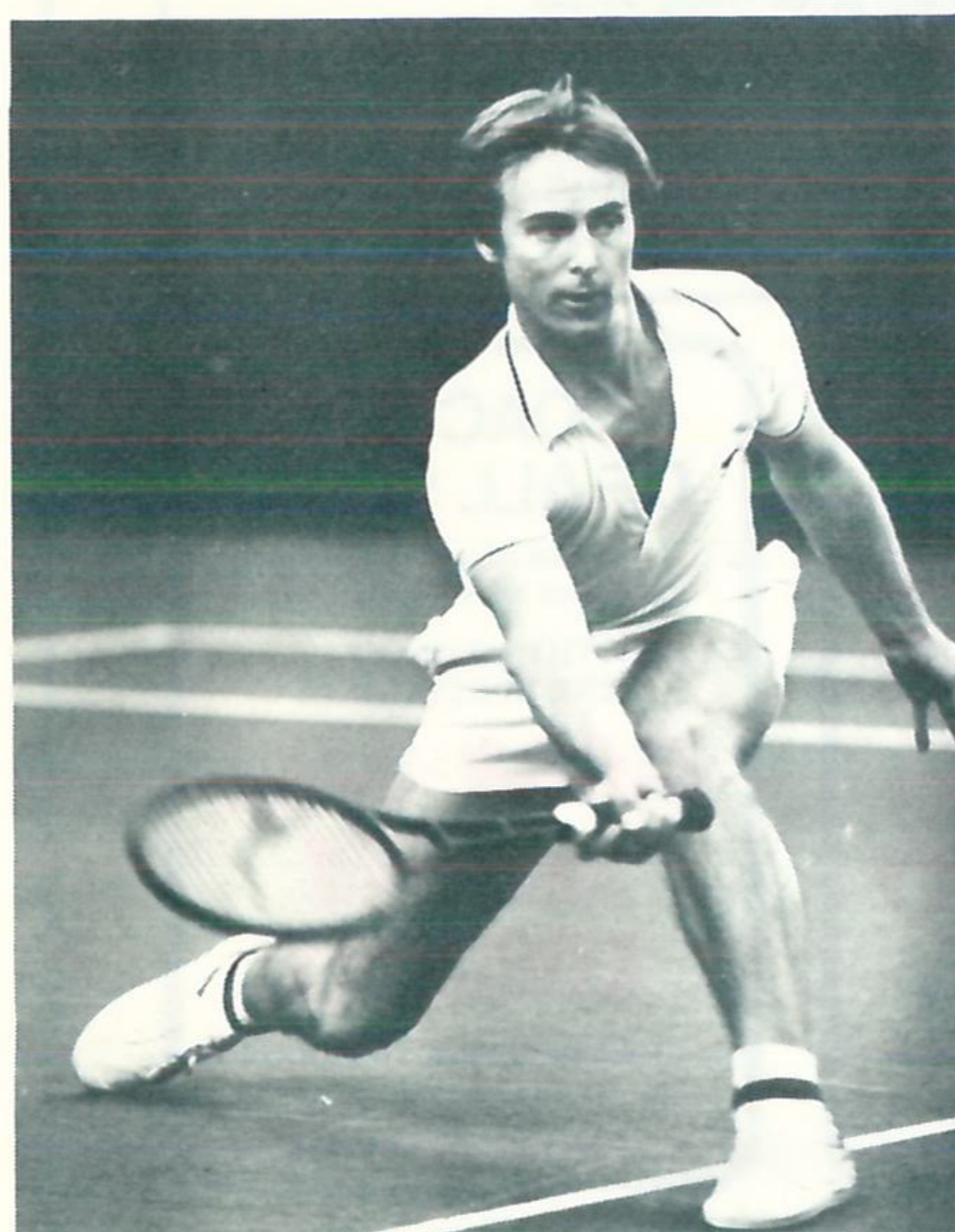
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Date	Opponents	Ground	F.A.	Att.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	o.g.
1977																	
Aug.	20-HULL CITY	A	0-3	16,189	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Arnott	Waldron	Ashurst	Kerr	Elliott	Holden	Lee	Rowell	Rostron	
	23-BURNLEY	H	3-0	31,485	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Arnott	Waldron	Ashurst	Rostron	Elliott	Holden 2	Lee	Rowell	Collins	Stevenson
	27-ORIENT	H	1-1	28,261	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Arnott	Waldron	Ashurst(P)	Rostron	Elliott	Holden	Brown	Rowell	Collins	
Sept.	31-LEAGUE CUP 2 MIDDLESBROUGH	H	2-2	26,597	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Collins	Waldron	Ashurst	Kerr	Elliott	Holden 1	Rostron	Rowell 1	Henderson	
	3-SHEFFIELD UNITED	A	1-1	17,994	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Kerr	Waldron	Ashurst	Rostron	Elliott	Holden	Lee 1	Rowell	Arnott	
	10-CRYSTAL PALACE	A	2-2	21,305	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Henderson	Waldron	Ashurst	Kerr	Elliott	Rostron 1	Lee	Rowell 1	Arnott	
	13-LEAGUE CUP 2 REPLAY M'BORO	A	0-1	29,572	Siddall	Docherty	Bolton	Kerr	Waldron	Ashurst	Rostron	Elliott	Henderson	Lee	Rowell	Arnott	
	17-BOLTON WANDERERS	H															
	24-STOKE CITY	A															
Oct.	1-BRIGHTON & H.A.	H															
	4-CARDIFF CITY	H															
	8-SOUTHAMPTON	A															
	15-MILLWALL	H															
	22-MANSFIELD TOWN	A															
	26-LEAGUE CUP 3																
	29-OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H															
Nov.	5-FULHAM	A															
	12-BRISTOL ROVERS	H															
	19-NOTTS. COUNTY	A															
	26-LUTON TOWN (1)	H															
	30-LEAGUE CUP 4																
Dec.	3-CHARLTON ATHLETIC	A															
	10-TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H															
	17-BRISTOL ROVERS (2)	A															
	26-BLACKPOOL	H															
	27-BLACKBURN ROVERS	A															
	31-BURNLEY	A															
1978																	
Jan.	2-HULL CITY	H															
	7-F.A. CUP 3																
	14-ORIENT	A															
	18-LEAGUE CUP (5)																
	21-SHEFFIELD UNITED	H															
	28-F.A. CUP 4																
Feb.	4-CRYSTAL PALACE	H															
	8-LEAGUE CUP SF																
	11-BOLTON WANDERERS	A															
	15-LEAGUE CUP SF																
	18-STOKE CITY (5)	H															
	25-BRIGHTON & H.A.	A															
Mar.	4-SOUTHAMPTON	H															
	11-MILLWALL (6)	A															
	18-MANSFIELD TOWN (LCF)	H															
	24-OLDHAM ATHLETIC	A															
	25-BLACKBURN ROVERS	H															
	27-BLACKPOOL	A															
	28-																
Apr.	1-FULHAM	H															
	8-LUTON TOWN (SF)	A															
	15-NOTTS. COUNTY	H															
	22-TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	A															
	26-CARDIFF CITY	A															
	29-CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H															
May	6-F.A. CUP FINAL																

Up to and including 10th September, 1977

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bolton Wand.	5	3	0	0	5	2	1	1	0	1	0	9
Tottenham H.	5	3	0	0	7	3	0	2	0	0	0	8
Stoke City	5	3	0	0	7	1	0	1	1	1	2	7
Blackpool	5	1	1	0	4	2	2	0	1	7	5	7
Southampton	5	2	1	0	5	1	1	0	1	3	3	7
Brighton	4	2	0	0	5	3	1	1	0	3	2	7
Luton Town	4	2	0	0	8	1	1	0	1	2	2	6
Crystal Palace	5	1	1	1	5	4	1	1	0	4	1	6
Blackburn R.	5	1	1	1	4	2	0	2	0	1	1	5
Hull City	5	1	1	0	3	0	1	0	2	2	4	5
Oldham	5	2	0	0	3	0	0	1	2	4	7	5
Sunderland	5	1	1	0	4	1	0	2	1	3	6	5
Charlton	4	2	0	0	5	2	0	1	1	2	8	5
Notts. Co.	5	0	2	1	4	5	0	1	1	3	4	3
Orient	5	1	0	1	6	7	0	1	2	2	4	3
Bristol Rovers	5	0	2	1	3	4	0	1	1	2	4	3
Mansfield T.	5	1	1	1	3	3	0	0	2	1	4	3
Cardiff	4	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	4	3
Fulham	5	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	3	3
Sheff. Utd.	5	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	3	3	10	3
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Burnley	5	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	3	1	8	1

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NORTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE

DATE	GROUND	F	A
1977	CUP COMPETITION		
Aug.	30-1st Leg Halifax Town	A.....0.....5	
Sept.	5-HALIFAX TOWN 2nd Leg	H.....2.....0	
	LEAGUE COMPETITION		
Sep	12-DONCASTER ROVERS	H.....3.....0	
	20-Grimsby Town	A.....	
	26-HALIFAX TOWN	H.....	
Oct.	10-LINCOLN CITY	H.....	
	18-Middlesbrough	A.....	
	24-MANSFIELD TOWN	H.....	
Nov.	1-Notts County	A.....	
	7-ROTHERHAM UNITED	H.....	
	15-Scunthorpe United	A.....	
Dec.	5-YORK CITY	H.....	
	14-Barnsley	A.....	
	19-BRADFORD CITY	H.....	
1978			
Jan.	4-Chesterfield	A.....	
	9-CHESTERFIELD	H.....	
	17-Doncaster Rovers	A.....	
	23-GRIMSBY TOWN	H.....	
	31-Halifax Town	A.....	
Feb.	6-HULL CITY	H.....	
	14-Lincoln City	A.....	
	20-MIDDLESBROUGH	H.....	
	28-Mansfield Town	A.....	
Mar.	6-NOTTS COUNTY	H.....	
	14- Rotherham United	A.....	
	20-SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H.....	
Apr.	5-York City	A.....	
	10-BARNSELY	H.....	
	18-Bradford City	A.....	
	25-Hull City	A.....	

Who played.....where.....when

Tuesday 30th August, 1977

League Cup Competition - First Leg

HALIFAX TOWN 5 SUNDERLAND 0

Sunderland: Dodds, Weir, Milne, Stronach, Hindmarsh, Ellerman, Chisholm, Greenwood, Brown, Gilbert, Armstrong. Sub: Duncan.

Monday 5th September

League Cup Competition - Second Leg

SUNDERLAND 2 HALIFAX TOWN 0

Sunderland: Dodds, Henderson, Milne, Arnott, Hindmarsh, Weir, Stronach, Greenwood, Brown, Gilbert, Armstrong. Sub: Gratton

Scorers: Brown, Weir.

Sunderland lose 2-5 on aggregate

With the Reserves (continued)

Monday 12th September

SUNDERLAND 3 DONCASTER ROVERS 0

Sunderland: Dodds, Weir, Milne, Hamilton, Hindmarsh, Duncan, Gratton, Stronach, Brown, Gilbert, Greenwood. Sub: Huttton.

Scorers: Brown, Hindmarsh, Gilbert.

NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

DATE	GROUND	F	A
1977			
Aug.	20-YORK CITY	H.....4.....1	
	27-Barnsley	A.....1.....1	
Sept.	3-LEEDS UNITED	H.....1.....0	
	10-Chesterfield	A.....1.....2	
	17-HARTLEPOOL	H.....	
	24-SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	H.....	
Oct.	1-Lincoln City	A.....	
	8-Middlesbrough Cup 1st round		
	1st Leg	A.....	
	15-MIDDLESBROUGH Cup 1st		
	Round 2nd Leg	H.....	
	22-HULL CITY	H.....	
	29-Sheffield United	A.....	
Nov.	5-SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H.....	
	19th and 26th Nov. Cup 2nd round		
	19-Rotherham United	A.....	
Dec.	3-HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H.....	
	10-Middlesbrough	A.....	
	17-NEWCASTLE UNITED	H.....	
	31-Scunthorpe United	A.....	
1978			
Jan.	7-GRIMSBY TOWN	H.....	
	14-YORK CITY	A.....	
	21-BARNSELY	H.....	
	28-Leeds United	A.....	
Feb.	4-CHESTERFIELD	H.....	
	15-Hartlepool	A.....	
	18-Sheffield Wednesday	A.....	
	25-LINCOLN CITY	H.....	
Mar.	4-Hull City	A.....	
	11-Sheffield United	H.....	
	18-Grimsby Town	A.....	
	25-ROTHERHAM UNITED	H.....	
Apr.	1-Huddersfield Town	A.....	
	8-MIDDLESBROUGH	H.....	
	15-Newcastle United	A.....	

Who played.....where.....when

Saturday 27th August, 1977

BARNSELY 1 SUNDERLAND 1

Sunderland: Watson, Duncan, Lavender, Hughes, Weir, Hindmarsh, Gratton, Chisholm, Whitelaw, Hutton, Hamilton. Sub: Roddy.

Scorer: Hamilton.

NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE (cont.)

Saturday 3rd September

SUNDERLAND 2 LEEDS UNITED 0

Sunderland: Crawley, McLeod, Lavender, Main, Hindmarsh, Ellerman, Gratton, Hughes, Roddy, Hutton, Hamilton. Sub: Chisholm.

Scorer: Hutton

Saturday 10th September

CHESTERFIELD 2 SUNDERLAND 1

Sunderland: Crawley, Duncan, Cavanagh, Hamilton, Hindmarsh, Weir, Main, Chisholm Roddy, Hutton, Milne. Sub: Hughes.

Scorer: Milne.

Junior Match reports

BARNSELY 1 SUNDERLAND 1

This was a keenly contested game with a fair result overall. Sunderland took the lead mid-way into the second half through Hamilton.

Barnsley equalised with a disputed penalty seven minutes from time.

Good performances from Watson, Weir, Hindmarsh and Chisholm.

SUNDERLAND 1 LEEDS UNITED 0

An evenly matched game throughout, with strong winds giving both teams all sorts of problems.

The winning goal came mid-way through the second half through Hutton after good work by Gratton.

Hindmarsh was the man of the match.

CHESTERFIELD 2 SUNDERLAND 1

Two defensive 'boobs' in the first half, plus lack of concentration with their distribution and finishing in the second half, when after having most of the play, cost Sunderland both points in a disappointing game.

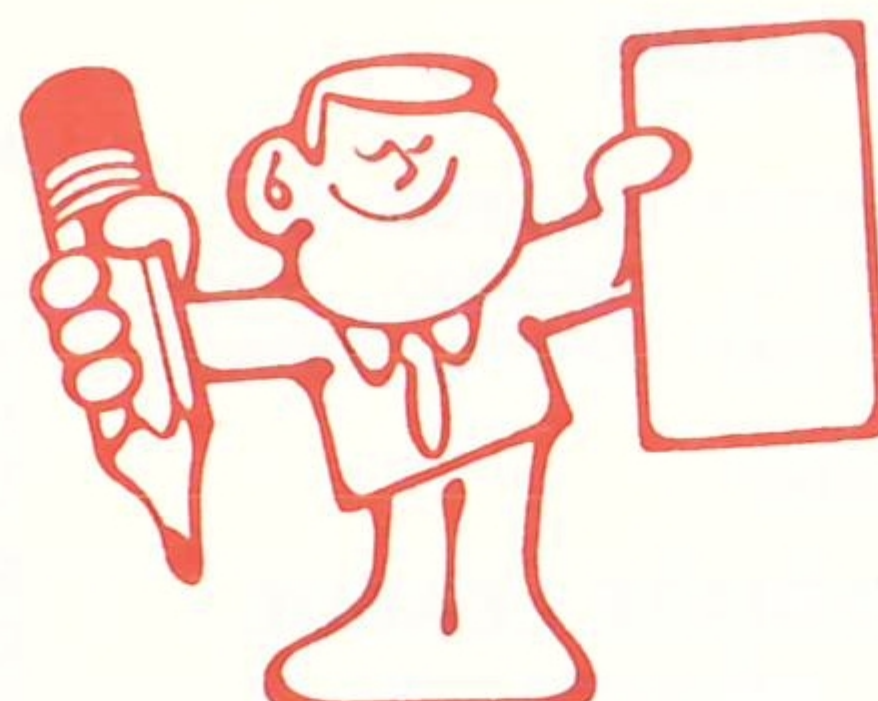
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Spotlight on...

THE LAD WHO GETS INVOLVED

By DOUG WEATHERALL

The last Sunderland home game virtually summed up Gary Rowell's career up to now — eventful. Against Middlesbrough in the drawn League Cup second-round tie he conceded the penalty which gave Boro the lead; he had his name taken for arguing that Sunderland should have had a penalty when Stuart Boam offended against Mel Holden...and he earned the replay with the match's final goal.

Sunderland have been battling for points at extreme ends of League tables all the time Gary has been in the first team. He was only 18 when he made his debut against Oldham. At that time Sunderland were on their way to the Second Division championship.

He was to help even more directly in the winning of this with a great goal in a 4-1 win at Hull City. The scoring of that one remains his biggest footballing thrill. And his performance that day won the praise of an impressed spectator, Raich Carter, Sunderland's first F.A. Cup-winning captain.

Gary's next main League involvement was in trying to keep Sunderland in the First Division. And his midfield partnership with Shaun Elliott and Kevin Arnott became one of the country's top talking points.

HONOUR

His contribution, like that of Shaun, earned selection for an England under-21 tour of Scandinavia before Sunderland's League fate was sealed. And losing at Everton last May, he says, was the biggest disappointment of his life.

Those of us who have known Gary's father, Jack, a long time are not surprised he has produced such a likeable lad. Jack was a good schoolboy wing-half with Seaham Modern before he joined the Sunderland staff. He made only one senior appearance but has always retained a deep affection for the club. He is naturally proud that his son made the mark he would have loved to have made. Incidentally, Jack probably would have, too, if local lads had

Gary Rowell

been given more of a chance in that era of almost only stars-only.

Gary is grateful for his father's help in his football development. Now 20, Gary also thanks Arthur Cox, coach in his first Roker days, and the current coaching staff.

Indeed, he names as his most difficult opponent coach Stan Ternent in club five-a-sides. It is rumoured that Stan kicks a bit!



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2. After awarding a free kick for off-side a substitute uses foul language to a linesman. Do you (a) take no action, (b) caution the sub or (c) dismiss him from the match?
3. A defender heads a high ball inside his penalty area by using the shoulders of a team-mate to climb high enough to reach it. Do you (a) take no action, (b) award a penalty or (c) caution the defender and award an indirect free-kick?

- ANSWERS
1. Time is not extended for free kicks to be taken. Signal the end of play (a)
 2. The substitute must be dismissed from the match (c) for serious misconduct against a match official.
 3. Caution the defender (c) and award an indirect free kick.

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Mr. Morris is married, and is a lecturer in accountancy and hotel management, at Leeds Polytechnic. He is a qualified F.A. coach, and is interested in cricket and music.

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9	Mel Holden
10	Bob Lee
11	Gary Rowell
12	

	CHANGES
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3	Tony Dunne
4	Alan Waldron
5	Mike Walsh
6	Sam Allardyce
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8	Neil Whatmore
9	Ray Train
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